

Considering that these fishes have shown no tendency to monstrosities, have been well formed, and grown fairly in proportion to the young of the true American Charr hatched at the same time, I cannot resist thinking that it may be possible that these two fish, although so widely differing in colour, may be merely varieties of one species, descendants from one common stock. This question, however, will be more appropriately discussed when we possess fish a year or two older.

On November 29th, 1883, about 4500 eggs were obtained from a Lochleven trout which had been hatched in 1875, and these were milted from a young Salmon, such as I have already described, which was taken for this purpose from pond C. 130. These eggs were deposited in box 88.

About 3000 eggs were taken from a Lochleven Trout of the season of 1875, and fertilized from the milt of two American Charr. These eggs were deposited in box 92.

About 2695 eggs were taken from an American Charr and milted from a young Salmon from pond C. 130. These ova were deposited in box 96.

About 1000 eggs were obtained from a Brook-Trout of about 1lb. weight and fertilized from the milt of the dead young salmon already referred to. These eggs were deposited in box 100.

5. On the Generic Position and Relations of *Echinanthus tumidus*, Woods: By F. JEFFREY BELL, M.A., Sec. R.M.S., Professor of Comparative Anatomy in King's College.

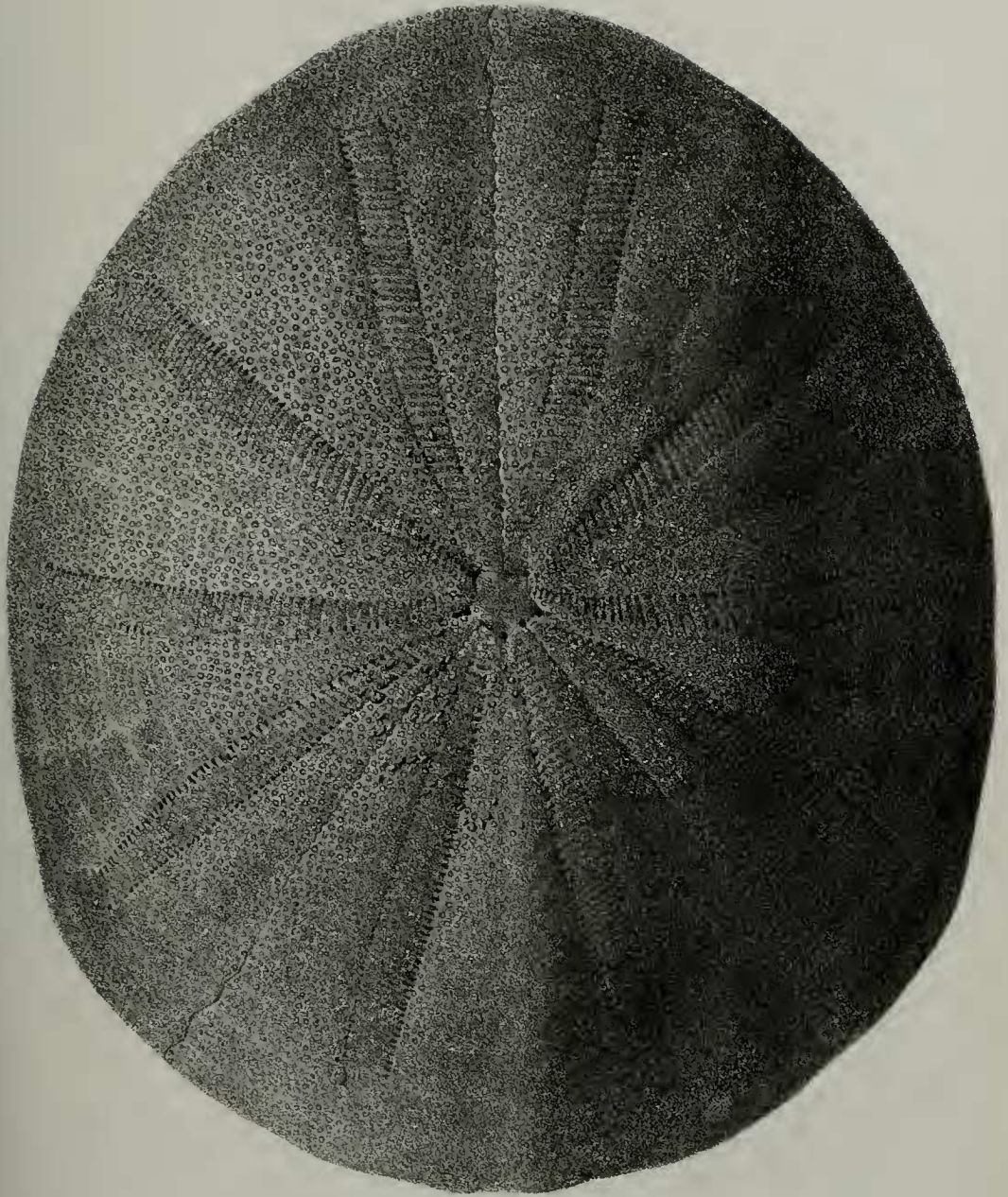
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(Plates II. & III.)

For some years past our knowledge of the Echinoidea has been increased by the descriptions of various new species, published by the Rev. J. E. T. Woods, which have appeared in the 'Proceedings' of that excellent body the Linnean Society of New South Wales.

Of such forms the most remarkable was that which was distinguished by him as *Echinanthus tumidus*<sup>1</sup>; my knowledge of this species was confined to the short description which he gives of it, but that description was sufficient to rouse my curiosity. It was, therefore, with the greatest pleasure that I found an example of it among a set of specimens which Mr. E. P. Ramsay lately submitted to me for determination. The original diagnosis had made it clear to my mind that the species did not belong to the genus *Echinanthus*; and an investigation of the characters of the specimen itself led me to the belief that it presents very important points of difference from any form yet described.

<sup>1</sup> Proc. Linn. Soc. N. S. W. ii. p. 169.



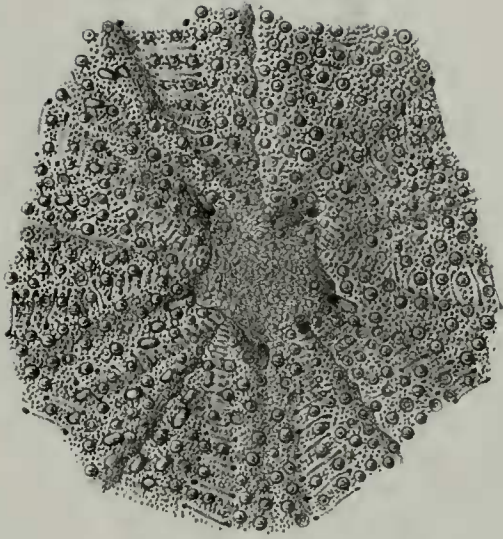
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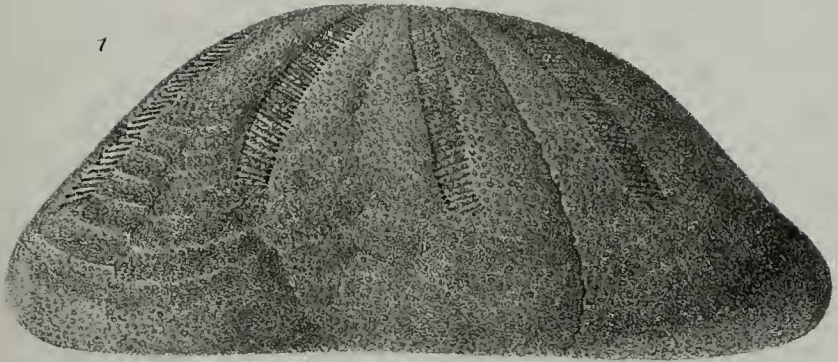
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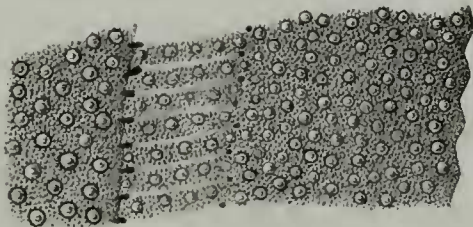
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In this last statement I feel able to include the fossil forms, in a review of which I was very greatly aided by the wide knowledge and kind courtesy of Mr. Etheridge, F.R.S.

I proceed first to give a detailed account of the specimen in my hands, in connexion with which the careful figures may be suitably studied.

*Description of the Specimen.*—Test high, swollen, longer than broad, flattened in the neighbourhood of the apical area, sloping gradually at the sides, but sloping rather more sharply anteriorly than posteriorly; apical area a little anterior to the true centre of the test; anus exactly marginal, looking backwards and downwards, and set almost exactly at an angle of  $45^\circ$  to the actinal surface of the test. The actinostome deeply sunken, the five interambulacral sutures only faint grooves.

The poriferous zones very remarkable, being wider where they terminate than at any other point along their course, and with a faint tendency to be lyre-shaped. The pores vary very much in size; in the anterior (odd) ambulacrum the pores of the outer series are easily seen only in the last fourth of the row, and here they are large; one row, that to the left of the specimen, has, however, only one eighth of its course provided with large pores; in the inner rows the pores are smaller than the large pores of the outer rows, and a larger number are subequal, the largest are at the distal end; in the left inner row there are a few scattered large pores near the proximal end. In the right anterolateral ambulacrum there are no pores as large as some of those in the anterior; most of those in the two outer rows are quite small, and in the inner some, though not so many as in the anterior ambulacrum, are of fair size and subequal. In the left anterolateral ambulacrum the outer rows have a few scattered pores large enough to be seen without the aid of a magnifying glass, near the apex; in the inner rows the number of fair-sized subequal pores is hardly less than in the anterior ambulacrum. The outer rows of the right postero-lateral ambulacrum repeat very much the characters of those in the anterior ambulacrum, and in the inner rows there are a large number of fair-sized subequal pores. In the left postero-lateral the pores are still better developed, and nearly both members of every pair are quite distinctly seen; as in the preceding the larger pairs are in the outer rows.

This predominance in the size of the pores of the outer row is a very familiar phenomenon among the Clypeastridæ. The grooves which pass from pore to pore in every pair are shallow, and are almost as well indicated by the row of tubercles which alternate with them; these tubercles are of fair size, twice as large as in *Echinanthus testudinarius*, and there are, as a rule, five in each row; they are arranged in very regular parallel rows.

Distally to the paired pores a pair, or two or three scattered pores are to be observed, in the left half of the anterior ambulacrum, both halves of the right antero-lateral and postero-lateral ambulacra, the two halves of the left postero-lateral, and the anterior half of the left antero-lateral ambulacrum. There is nothing, however, in the